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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

It is requested that the enclosed reference(s) listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO/SB/08A or B be considered by the Patent Examiner in connection with the above-identified application and be made of record therein.

**Certification Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1)**

I hereby certify that the enclosed reference(s) were first cited in a European Search Report (copy enclosed) dated January 29, 2002 from the European Patent Office concerning counterpart European Application No. EP 01 12 5949, not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

In the European Search Report all four references are cited as Category A (technological background) with respect to claim 1. See WO 98/31731 A (page 3, line 4 - page 11, line 28); U.S. Pat. 4,666,750 (col. 1, line 48 - col. 2, line 38); British Patent Specification 756,346 (page 1, left col., line 37 - page 3, left col., line 59, and Examples); and U.S. Pat. 4,191,673 (col. 2, lines 11-33).

Independent consideration and acknowledgment of the enclosed reference(s) are

respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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